# 37TH NATIONAL

Preparations Being Made by the above Pacific Coast Citizens to Entertain G.A.R. Visitors.

tional Encampment is being seriously considered by the San Francisco management, it is authoritatively desired that such

Mar, Veterans of the Mexican War and all kindred societies by the Governor, Mayor. Department Commander and the chief officers of the other organizations. There will be music by a large orchestra, and 10.750 seats will be provided for the visitions. On the following night there will be a concert of 500 voices and an orchestra of 75 pieces. But the event of the week is reserved for Friday night, Ang. 21, when the great Campfire is to be held at the pavilion, with the old-fashioned army fare of beans, hardtack and black coffee, with a few California dainties sandwiched in. Provision will be made for 5,000 guests to be seated; all the rest will have to take their med statement. Supervisors of the Sarten and will sead of the supervision of the \$1,000 and the sundanger of the supervision of the week is reserved for Friday night, Ang. 21, when the great Campfire is to be held at the pavilion, with the old-fashioned army fare of beans, hardtack and black coffee, with a few California dainties sandwiched in. Provision will be made for 5,000 guests to be seated; all the rest will have to take their med a like of the supervision of the Sarten of the

G. A. R.:

"We expect to come to the National Encampment with a delegation. We have organized a baseball club of veterans, who will play against any Post or Department

The news last evening at Encampment

The often-printed statement that Union soldiers. We are coming good time and to see the sights."

of its members being attributed to training team, the Captain said: "My team of old soldiers have each seen active service. Col. A. Andrews, proprietor of the Diamond Palace, on Montgomery street, a jewelry and diamond store, by the way, that you ought to let The National Tribune readers know is a San Francisco site worth seeing, a veteran also of the Mexican War, wants to play shortstop. He is 79 years old, and might be a little short of wind if obliged to make a home run. As a matter of fact Andrews admits that wind is the enly article he is short of. My good left fielder, Capt. Robert Cleary, also a Mexican War, ican War veteran, is also a great sprinter. We shall challenge the Georgia team to a footrace, single-handed, or weigh in half a ton, equal numbers, any distance from 190 yards to half a mile, or to Mipitas and back by way of San Jose, to give the Georgians a chance to see a speek of California out-door life. We shall run them for peanuts, a gold brick or anything else that these veterans coming all the way from Georgia might want to take back with them to remember California. No betting will be allowed by the men, but pool-selling will be admissible.

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gun. Having witnessed a goodly number of street pageants incidental to Grand Army Encampments, and other great association events, I feel safe in saying that the sight in this line now being constructed here in honor of the 37th National Encampment, will be considered by all blue-coated boys who behold it as "the boss," and well worth a long trip to see. San Francisco has achieved in recent years Trancisco has achieved in recent years a high reputation as a convention city, and one feature which has added much to its fame in this regard has been the lavishness of its street decorations upon these gala occasions. In no other city have nocity for the Golden Gate City will be compelled to acknowledge that we are a great and mighty Commonwealth, destined in the Published by ness of its street decorations upon these gala occasions. In no other city have noctural electric displays been brought to such a standard of magnificence. When the California Volunteers, who were the first to land in the Philippines, returned, when the Epworth Leaguers, the Mystic Shrin-ers, and the Knights of Pythias were here, Market street shown in electric glory. The electric Court of Honor under which our late lamented comrade, President McKinley, rode in May, 1991, and the electric canopy passed under in May, last year, by President Roosevelt, outstripped all be-fore; but now, in honor of the grand rally here of comrades next month, the electric Court of Honor is to gleam with effects more elaborate and entrancing than all

This magnificent arch will spring from four massive pedestals 20 feet long, 14 feet wide and 28 feet high, each carrying about 1,000 electric lights worked in unique design, supported by beautiful pilasters richly ornamented with stucco work, with great artistic effect and surmounted by four heroic eagles and the and Southern Pacific Railroads, arriving

trusses of the arch proper.

The arch will have a magnificent and graceful sweep of 160 feet from pedestal to pedestal, and will rise to a hight of 77 feet above the street line. It will be richly ornamented in stucco work of delicate tracery and illuminated with 5,000 electric lights. The stucco work design will be principally of highly ornamental circles, rising from the base and continuing upward until it fades away in a delicate scroll, studded throughout with incandescent lights in striking effect. hight the arch supports a beautiful colon-hade of 16 columns, resting on a circular

base 50 feet in diameter, all handsomely and richly ornamented in stucco work, with electrical effects interlaced and work-ed out in striking design with 1,500 electric lights. The stucco work of the circular base of the colonnade will be a beau-ord, arranged alphabetically, of 1500 vetint base of the coloniade will be a beautiful in bold relief. Surmounting this colonnade and extending to a hight of 135 feet above the street line will be a beautiful tent-like electrical canopy carrying 2.000 terms buried in 11 cemeteries of Hudson County, N. J. These are also on the cemetery books with the names, company, regiment, and organization of each. The County thas purchased three cemetery lots in principal cemeteries at a cost of \$6,500.

These lots measure 60 by 20, making 1200 foot flavstoff carrying a 28 foot American course feet in each and there is a tablet Flag. At the base of this flagstaff, and falling away in graceful curves to a distance of 90 feet below, will be a huge electrical ball, seven feet in diameter. San Francisco, Cal., July 22, 1903.

If any Eastern or Middle West States comrades have seen daily press reports that have appeared to the effect that a question of feeding the vast influx of strangers expected here during the National Engagement is being seriously continued to the plant of the pla clusters of electric lights, showing a beautiful lacework effect when illuminated. The total number of lights for the whole arch will be 10,000, which means, of course, a ty Down, Ireland, writes that the pension-

sidered by the San Francisco management, it is authoritatively desired that such statement- be reckoned as a flash-in-the pan report, very like, as Shalssper upting it, the flash outbreak of a fiery-minded reporter in war times, and therefore would, statement to the porter in war times, and therefore would, Sarrange of belief only as a false altern. Other porter in war times, and therefore would, Sarrange of the great valleys of California, not self with a haversack packed with a week's rations, and to content himself with the management sairance that the management's assurance that the management's assurance that the more will here be a-plenty and to spare of all good thinse ever thought to spare of all good thinse ever thought to spare of all good thinse ever thought to spare of all good thinse countries from the week are to have in such the production of the State in the possibility of the State in the state of the State in the state of the state of the State in the S

Adjutant-General, Department of Georgia. the foothills, held under the joint auspices \$450,000. The remainder is damage to

who will accept our challenge. Our challenge is open to any club composed of old agents of the different trans-continental relapse to the "blanket" state is refuted  $\Lambda$ . We are coming to have a and connecting roads was to the effect by the report of the Hampton institute. to see the sights." The challenge has been accepted by San

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Francisco Association of Veteran Volunteer Firemen (retired), and Col. H. J.

Burns, a veteran of the civil war, has been chosen Captain of the team. Some of the members are the oldest living baseball players, and are still spry and active, their players, and are still spry and active, their players, and are still spry and active, their delegations from the most distant points; that the Department of Rhode Island has chartered a train of Rhod players, and are still spry and active, their ages running from the light-weight and most useful catcher, Comrade William F. Miller, who is 59 years old and weighs 210 younds, to 80 years of age. Not one weighs under 200 pounds; the ball twirler, Comrade 200 p two days, and one day at Salt Lake City ganized about 12 years ago, and has play-ed several matches with credit, the agility 17, in the forenoon. A delegation of the 17, in the forenoon. A delegation of the Reception Committee will meet the party of its members being attributed to training acquired while fighting fires. The Captain and this team of nine comrades will weigh in at upward of one ton, their ages running from 62 to 80 years. In speaking of their eligibility to play the Georgia team, the Captain said: "My team of old soldiers have each seen active service. Col.

A. Andrews, proprietor of the Diamond Palace, on Montgomery street, a jewelry ouring the Spanish-American war. Junior Vice Department Commander Ezra K.
Parker is a prominent attorney. Assistant Adjt. Gen. Philip S. Chase is City Auditor of Providence. Ex-Mayor Charles P.
Moies, of Pawtucket, R. I. is Part 19. lion, and also Chaplain of the 1st R. I. during the Spanish-American war. Jun-

large contingent is coming from the Nation's Capital City.

And from our not very far away Washington State the news is that it and Alaska have established joint transportation headquarters at Seattle for the accommodation of all members of the Grand Army, Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army, and Sons of Veterans. In issuing its notice to the members of these organizations the Committee concludes its letter with these words:

organizations the Committee concludes its letter with these words: near future to be the foremost State in this Star Spangled Union."

Governor Bulkely, Department Com-mander of Connecticut, has written for additional rooms for the use of the Nutmeg State's headquarters. His letter says: "We are going a long distance, and more people are joining our party as the time draws near." SERGEANT A. L. P.

## EX-PRISONERS OF WAR. Meeting of the 31st Annual Encampment.

Col. J. D. Walker, National Commander, Union Ex-Prisoners of War Association, Pittsburg, Pa., has issued a general order for the holding of the 31st National Encampment in San Francisco, from Aug. 17 to 21. The Allegheny County Prisoners of War Association will form an escort for the National Commander, and he will leave Pittsburg on a special train Monday, Aug. 3, going over the Pennsylvania, Santa Fe, at San Francisco, Aug. 13. The tickets from Pittsburg will be \$59.35; one double berth in sleeping car, \$12.50; single berth, so the stabilished in the Ladies' Parlor of the established in the Ladies' Parlor of the Property of the established in the Ladies' Parlor of the established in the Established in the Ladies' Parlor of the established in the Ladies' Parlor of the established in the Es B'nai B'rith Hall, on Eddy Street, where ex-prisoners of war are requested to call and register. The parade will take place Tuesday, Aug. 18, at 10 a. m. The notice Marking Paper Free. THE BEST IN existence. Eastern Agency 80, Bridgeport, Conn. of the Campfire and Annual Reunion will

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